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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION LAGOS INFO KADUNA FROM IBADAN MARCH  
12, 1975 REPEATED FOR YOUR INFO

QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L IBADAN 97

E. O. 11652: XGDS

TAGS: PFOR, NI, US

SUBJ: RUMORS OF US INTERFERENCE NIGERIAN AFFAIRS

REF: LAGOS 2253

1. NEW BRITISH DEPUTY HIGH COMMISSIONER SIMEON SAYS HE HAS HEARD  
ACCUSATIONS FROM SOURCES IBADAN COCKTAIL CIRCUIT THAT CIA IS  
BEHIND UDOJI UNREST IN ORDER DISRUPT NIGERIAN ECONOMY AND GOVERN-  
MENT TO ENSURE ULTIMATE CONTROL NIGERIAN OIL. HE HAS RIDICULED  
SUCH NOTIONS BUT FINDS THEIR EXISTENCE DISTURBING. HE WAS  
CURIOSLY RELUCTANT TO IDENTIFY SOURCES, DESCRIBING THEM AT FIRST  
ONLY AS NUMEROUS. PROBING REVEALED, HOWEVER, THAT THEY DID NOT  
INCLUDE FMG OR USG OFFICIALS AND DID INCLUDE ONE OR MORE LEBANESE.

2. ANOTHER RUMOR ON SUBJECT USG INTERFERENCE REACHED ME THIRD  
HAND BUT WAS ATTRIBUTED TO MID-WEST MANAGER BARCLAY'S BANK, WHO  
IS SAID TO HAVE EXPRESSED UNEASE OVER ACCUSATIONS UNIDENTIFIED  
US AGENTS WERE STIRRING CURRENT CAMPUS DISTURBANCES. MAMIOUR  
INTEREST MIGHT BE IN SUCH DISTURBANCES NOT MENTIONED.

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3. COMMENT: I SUSPECT PARA 1 ALLEGATION MAY ORIGINATE WITH

OR BE DELIBERATELY SPREAD BY ONE OR MORE OF SEVERAL LEBANESE  
HERE WHO ARE CRITICAL OUR SUPPORT ISRAEL AND SEE CIA UNDER  
EVERY BED. IF THIS HYPOTHESIS CORRECT, MONGERS MAY BE MERELY  
INDULGING IN PERSONAL MALICIOUS FANTASIES - BUT THEY MAY ALSO BE  
CARRYING OUT INSTRUCTIONS FROM AN ARAB GOVERNMENT. WHETHER  
COORDINATED AND INTENDED OR CASUAL, THERE SEEMS TO BE DISTURBING  
POSSIBILITY THESE DISCREDITING RUMORS HAVE REACHED FMG AND MAY  
PARTLY ACCOUNT FOR REFTEL DEMARCHE.

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